

COSTA MESA CITY COUNCIL

UPDATE ON HOMELESS IMPACTS AND OUTREACH

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Homeless Impacts

- ❑ Homelessness is a continuum of people at risk due to extreme poverty, mental illness or substance addiction; to those whose homelessness is episodic or temporary; or to those who are chronically homeless.
- ❑ Recent YOU-Count = 158 (an increase of 45% over 2013 count of 109). 122 of those identified as Costa Mesa residents.
- ❑ Fire Department EMS responses to homeless conservatively at 5% and may be as high as 10% of all responses.

UNSHELTERED HOMELESS IN COSTA MESA

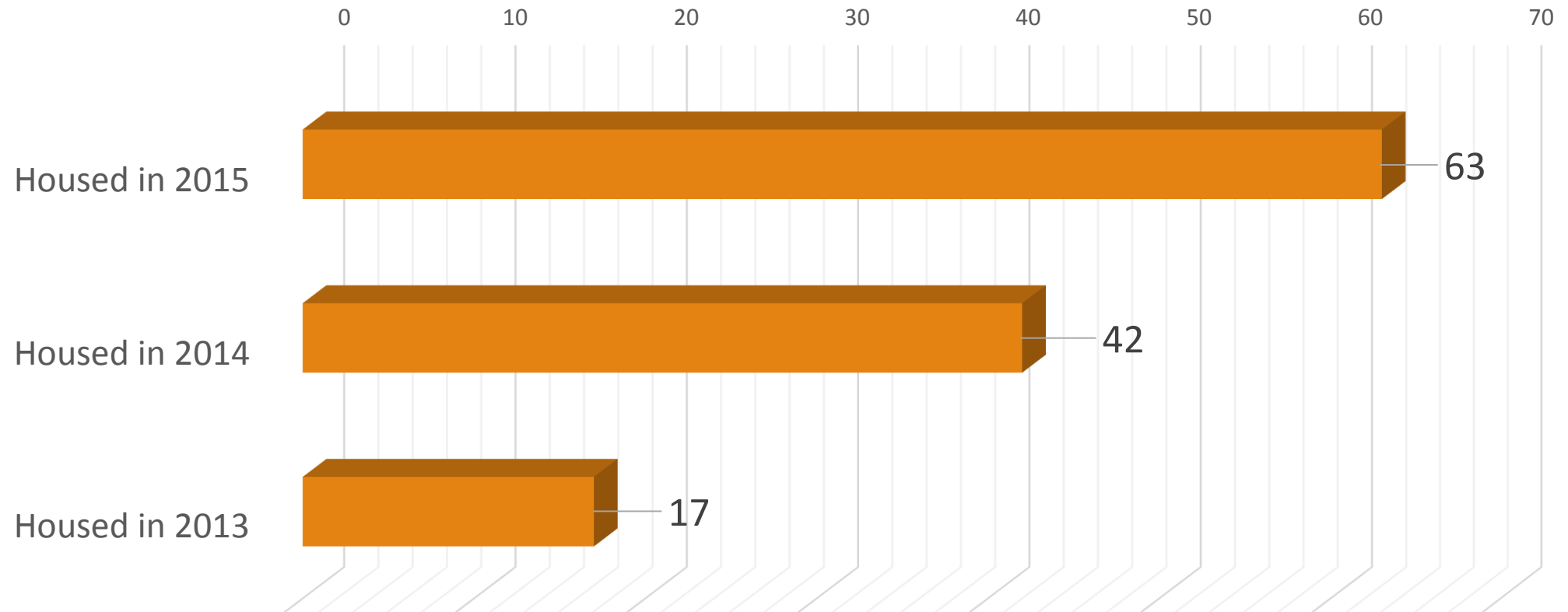
- Number of Costa Mesa homeless residents as of 12/31/2015: **122**
 - Number of unsheltered homeless considered to be “service-resistant” at any point in 2015: 52
 - Number of unsheltered clients receiving consistent follow up support: 56
 - Number of unsheltered homeless receiving no services: 14
- Non-Costa Mesa resident homeless individuals as of 12/31/2015: 67*

* This number is highly volatile and fluctuates on a daily basis.

City Collaborative Outreach Efforts

- ❖ Total Number of Clients Housed Since 2013: **122**
- ❖ Number of people housed in 2015: **63**
- ❖ Number of people housed in 2014: **42**
- ❖ Number of people housed in 2013: **17**

Individuals Housed Per Year



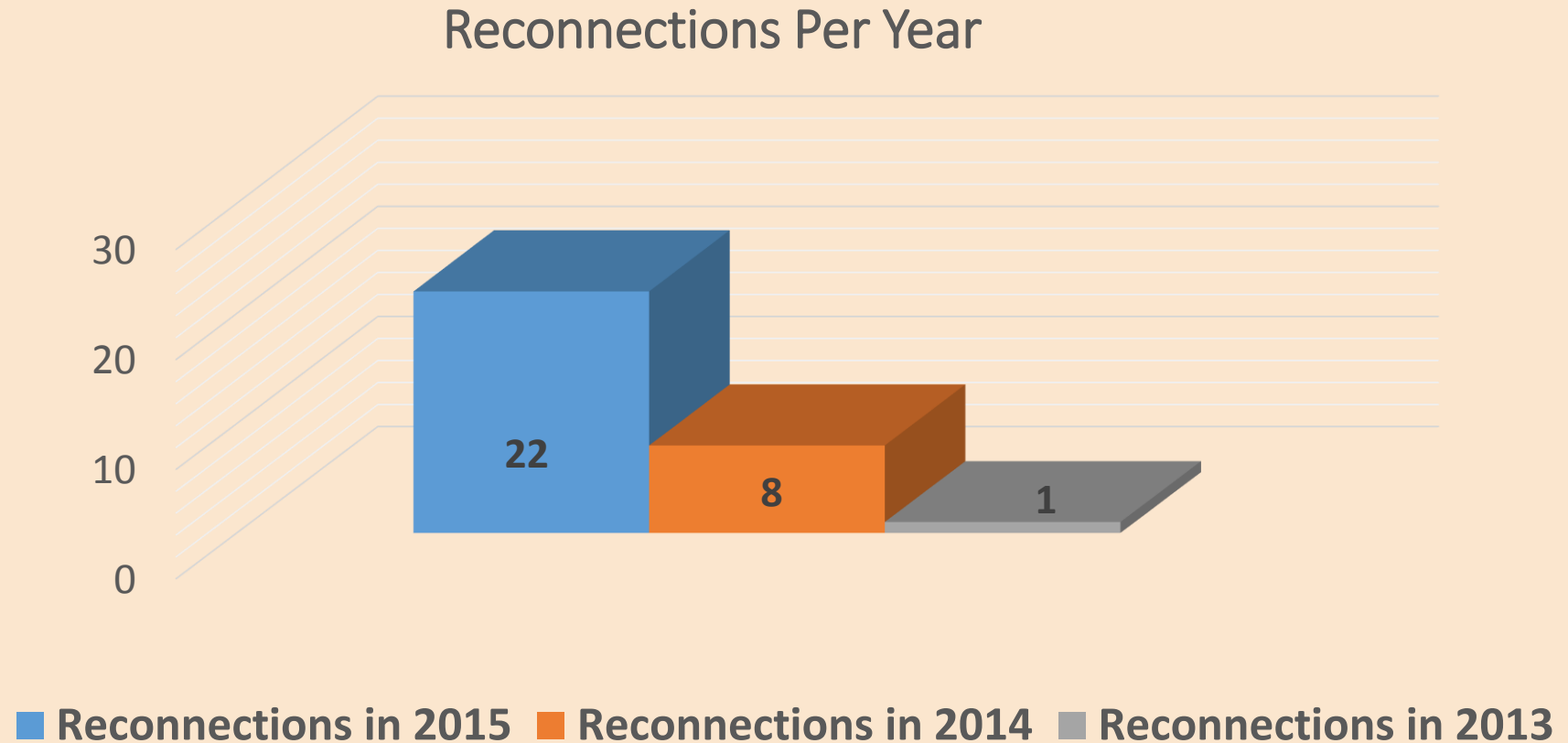
RECONNECTIONS

✓ 2015: 22

✓ 2014: 8

✓ 2013: 1

✓ **Total: 31**



❖ Vulnerability Assessments for Housing

- City is partner in County Continuum of Care
- Countywide, **324** assessed and **72** homeless linked to Housing
- CM Outreach completed **72** assessments since October 2015 and **14** of those assessed are currently in Permanent Supportive Housing
- Approximately **60+** others are pending Housing placement or Housing Vouchers

2015 STATISTICAL DATA

- ✓ Total Outreach Worker contacts: **1,196**
- ✓ Linkages to service providers: 435
- ✓ Substance abuse linkages: 15
- ✓ Total field support hours: 539.5
- ✓ Total Mental Health Linkages from **PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION & RESPONSE TEAM (PERT)**: 48 linkages (5150's)
- ✓ Total hours of outreach actions of city staff including linkages, field support, contacts, housing placements, meetings and more: **3,550 hours**
- ✓ Average monthly volunteer hours: **380**

IMPACTS TO BUSINESSES

- ❖ Customer Complaints
- ❖ Dangerous Conditions for Employees
 - Assaults
 - Hazardous Waste
- ❖ Loss of Income

Outreach to Businesses

- ❖ Quick Reference Cards
- ❖ Anti-aggressive Panhandling Cards
- ❖ Desire to form Business Security Districts
 - Examples of interventions
 - CM Courtyards
 - Harbor Center
 - CM Square